(b) other deposits mobilised under FCNR Accounts Scheme each for an amount of US $ 25 million and above and such deposits are to be kept for a minimum period of 2 years. Further, the authorised dealers have also been permitted to pay brokerage not exceeding 1 per cent of deposits mobilised under Foreign Currency (ordinary non repatriable) Scheme subject to the same terms and conditions as applicable in case of FCNR deposits referred to above except for the minimum period which has been reduced to 6 months. Banks can also pay commission to agents employed to collect door to door deposits under their special schemes. The information regarding total amount paid by the banks by way of commission/ brokerage as referred to above, is not generated by the data reporting system.

Growing menace of smack addiction

4279. SHRI SHANKAR DAYAL SINGH:
SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA:
SHRI MOHD. MASUD KHAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news item appearing in the "Jan Satta", New Delhi dated the 27th July, 1992 under the caption "Smack ke Liye Gurda Becha, Ab aankh bechne ke tayyari";

(b) if so, whether the menace of smack has assumed alarming proportions and is resulting in such a plight for its addicts;

(c) whether Government are aware that this addiction has spread in each and every village in the districts where poppy is grown and where there are opium factories and that it is from there that large scale smuggling of morphine/hashish/ heroine take place to other parts of the country and abroad;

(d) whether some of the smugglers are on the Interpol list; and

(e) whether Government propose to ban private cultivation of poppy and state Government's farming of the same, in order to curb the consumption and smuggling of these drugs?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The Government is very much involved in curbing such situations and is providing counselling, treatment and rehabilitation services to those addicted. The number of such centres as on 31-3-1992 was as under:—

Counselling Centres	—	146
De-addiction Centres	—	72
After-case Centres	—	11
Total	—	229

The Government has also taken strict measures for preventing leakage and diversion of opirates from Government factories and licensed arms and smuggling from outside.

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) No such proposal is under consideration of the Government at present.

Allocation of funds for small scale indutsries

4280. SHRI ISH DUTT YADAV:
SHRI RAM GOPAL YADAV:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideartion to allocate more funds for development of small scale industries in the country, particularly, in the Northern States;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) the funds earmarked for the purpose during the current Five Year Plan Period and the extent to which this amount is more than in the previous Plan?